

THE WEATHER
Increasing cloudiness and slightly warmer tonight; coldest about 30 degrees; Wednesday rain or snow.
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MAYOR REDUCES MUNICIPAL COURT BUDGET \$328,940

First Real 'Showdown' of Administration to Come Today in Council's Effort to Override Veto

BROWN PAYROLL SLASHED HARD BY MOORE'S AX
Useless Jobholders Lopped Off Million-Dollar Salary List. Park Board Also Hit.

JUDGE MARSHALS FORCES TO REPLACE REDUCTIONS
Needless Number of Probation Officers Pointed Out in Executive's Message

The Probable Line-Up of Council on Court Budget
For veto—Roper, Von Taren, Peters, Horn, Buchholz, Develin—six votes.

Drastic cuts totaling \$328,940 were made in the Municipal Court's budget appropriation for 1921 by Mayor Moore today in forwarding the budget to Council.

The Mayor's veto ax trimmed the court's appropriation total from the \$1,046,725 requested and incorporated in the municipal finance plan for next year, down to a total of \$717,785.

Direct Challenge to Brown
The sweeping vote, which eliminates hundreds of jobs in the Municipal Court, is a direct challenge to the political power of Judge Brown.

Points Out Needless Jobs
The Mayor, at one point in his budget message, draws a parallel with the cases handled by the court's army of probation officers and those cared for by the four probation officers under the Department of Public Welfare.

Double Jobholding Hit
A position as probation officer at the House of Detention at \$500 a year, occupied by the holder of another position, is eliminated entirely on the ground that the new charter forbids dual officeholding.

MAYOR'S BUDGET MESSAGE

Following is the complete text of the message Mayor Moore sent to Council this afternoon, approving the 1921 budget with some exceptions, notably appropriations asked for the Municipal Court, which suffer sharp reductions:
December 21, 1920.
To the President and Members of the Council of the City of Philadelphia:
Gentlemen—I return herewith my approval, except as to the items hereinafter mentioned, of a bill entitled "An Ordinance for the adoption of a financial program for the City of Philadelphia for the year 1921, and making appropriations to carry such program into effect," as provided in the act of June 25, 1919.

SHOT DURING ARREST

Wounded Man is Suspected of Trying to Rob Freight Car
Two alleged thieves were caught by patrolmen in South Philadelphia last night, one attempting to rob a freight car and the other an automobile, according to the police.

IRISH TOWN BURNED BY CROWN FORCES

Shops and Houses Destroyed. Was Reprisal for Attack on Police Barracks
The Irish home rule bill, as slightly modified by the House of Commons, adopted by the House of Commons today. The measure now needs only the royal signature to become a law.

COMES FAR FOR HUSBAND

Scotch Woman Locates and Reunited to Long-Missing Spouse
After a separation of more than seven years, Mrs. Mary Hannah, thirty-one years old, of Scotland, left the immigration station at Gloucester today with her husband.

TWO KILLED IN RACE RIOT

Armed Japanese Starts Melee in Australian Town
London, Dec. 21.—(By A. P.)—The Central News correspondent at Perth, Australia, says an armed Japanese, claiming racial equality, ran amok at Perth this morning and a riot resulted.

Nantucket Roses Abloom as Winter Makes His Bow

Nantucket, Mass., Dec. 21.—(By A. P.)—Hambler roses still bloom along the fences in Nantucket; the fishermen are plowing their fields and gardeners go about their daily business as if it were midsummer instead of the first day of winter.

TREADWAY, 'BOOTS' AND MOSS ARE HELD AT PEIRCE INQUEST

Coroner Remands Them to Prison Without Bail to Await Grand Jury's Action
The victim: Henry T. Peirce, of Fort Washington, Philadelphia manufacturers' agent.

FACTS IN THE PEIRCE MURDER

The accused: Peter De Witt Treadway, Joseph "Archie" Moss, Marion A. Elliott, otherwise "Al" Smith, and Marie Phillips Rogers, Elliott is still a fugitive.

MAY RIVAL SOLOMON

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George W. Ritter, eighty years old, a plumber, of Broadway and Jackson streets, Camden, will be married for a fourth time this evening at the Kaighn Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, Camden.

MOVE FOR DISARMAMENT

House Resolution Proposes President Call World Conference
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Germantown Youth Painfully Injured, but Woman May Live
Salvatore Marinucci, sixteen years old, of Germantown, was burned to death at the Marinucci home in Germantown at noon today, but was himself severely burned.

PIG BITES OFF MAN'S THUMB

Didn't Like Ax and Won't Go to Market Just Now
Pigs can turn as well as worms, as was proved today when Joyce Turner, a girl who lives in the city, was bitten on the hand by a pig while she was in the market.

Fair Winner of Limerick No. 2



MISS VIRGINIA NIRDLINGER
Miss Nirdlinger lives at 4224 Walnut street and has a working scholarship in the social service department of the University Hospital.

POLICEMAN IS SHOT

Is Wounded in Pursuit of Automobile Bandits
Harry Huntermark, a patrolman of the Fifty-fifth and Pine streets station, was shot in the knee while pursuing a party of suspected robbers who fled in two automobiles from the corner of Fifty-fifth and Pine streets early this morning.

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Social Service Worker Wins Second Limerick

Miss Virginia Nirdlinger, of 4224 Walnut Street, Will Divide Good Fortune With Folks Who Need It
Hate off to the ladies today, fans. The prize for last Tuesday's limerick—the one about the Luzerne carban—goes to:
Miss Virginia Nirdlinger, 4224 Walnut street.

SHOOTING OF CHUM MISHAP, SAYS BOY

Brooklawn Youth in Camden Hospital May Recover as Result of Operation
PLAYMATE IS HEARTBROKEN
Young Alfred Matthews, a Brooklawn, N. J., youth, keeps repeating this statement: "I didn't mean to shoot him. It was an accident."

WILMINGTON BANKER PLEADS GUILTY TO STEALING \$50,000

Disbarred as Lawyer
William Bush, cashier of the Wilmington Savings Fund Society, said to have embezzled more than \$50,000, was sentenced to eight years in the New Castle county workhouse today.

FRANCE TO BUY RADIUM FOR HOSPITAL

Paris, Dec. 21.—(By A. P.)—The French government has authorized the purchase of radium for the use of the Pasteur Institute in Paris.

RANSACKS PRELATE'S HOME

Demented Burglar Says He Wanted to Meet Cardinal Gibbons
Baltimore, Md., Dec. 21.—A Canadian, believed to be demented, was caught in the act of ransacking the portion of Cardinal Gibbons' home designated for the sexton, here last night.

FORMER PENN STAR DIES

William J. Rooke, of Shamokin, Is Heart Disease Victim
William J. Rooke, former University of Pennsylvania football star and prominent citizen of Shamokin, died suddenly yesterday.

Today's Developments in National Capital

Advocates and opponents of the emergency bill have met in the House preparatory to the fight when the measure is called up in the House tomorrow.

HARDING GETS HIS FIRST DEMOCRATIC BACKER IN SENATE

Plan for Association of Nations, Although Vague, Is Approved by Shields
MAY HAVE TROUBLE WITH LAFOLLETTE, REED, BORAH

Harding's Plan Only Vague

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